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37 CFR 1.312 After Allowance Amendment (2 pages)

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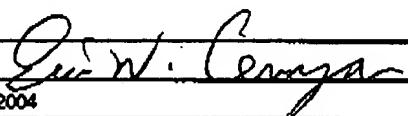
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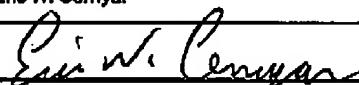
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		Art Unit	2858
		Examiner Name	Frank, Rodney T.
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1051 130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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1053 130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 850	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
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1451 1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to Institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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1501 1,330	2501	885	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503 640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1480 130	1480	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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			-3** =		

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1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
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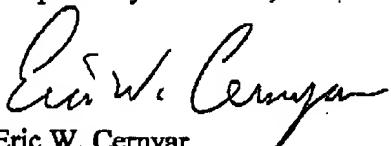
Sir:

Applicants express their appreciation for the Notice of Allowance mailed June 7, 2004. Upon receipt, it was noticed that the issue fee transmittal continues to list the original title. On January 16, 2004, Applicants filed an amendment asking that the following Title be substituted for the original: "UNIVERSAL CONNECTING DEVICE THAT DESIGNATES AN OPERATIONAL MODE." This 37 CFR 1.312 paper is being filed with hopes of ensuring that this substitute title is reflected on the face of the patent when it issues.

As set forth in the accompanying Fee Transmittal Form, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the 1.17(i) fee, and any other fees that may be required, from Kinetic Concept's deposit account no. 500-326.

The Amendment to the Specification (namely, the Title) is provided on page 2 of this paper.

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